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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2633  
Docket No.: 1046.1206

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Satoshi KUROYANAGI, et al.

Serial No. 09/467,972

Group Art Unit: 2633

Confirmation No. 3079

Filed: December 21, 1999

Examiner: Reza Sedighian

For: OPTICAL PATH CROSSCONNECT SYSTEM WITH HIGH EXPANDING  
CHARACTERISTIC

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on November 26, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to December 26, 2003.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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